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Applicant(s): Thomas McWaid et al.

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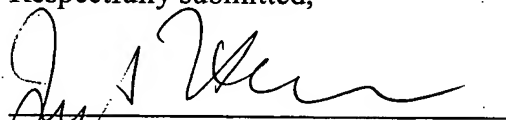
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) respectfully petition(s) for a three-month extension of time within which to respond to the outstanding Office Action, such extension allowing the undersigned until December 5, 2003 to respond.

A check is enclosed that includes the amount of \$950.00, as set forth in the enclosed transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,



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